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Announcement



We wish to announce that on *Saturday, February 19th* our market will be opened with a complete stock of table supplies.

In our meat department only meats of good quality will be kept, including a supply of Chicago beef. We will make a specialty of sausage and other home prepared meats, in which only good wholesome ingredients will be used. Kidneys, riverwater and other undesirable material will play no part in their makeup.

We will also carry in stock a full line of groceries, fruits, vegetables and baked goods, and have made arrangements to handle bread made by the Morton Baking Co. of Detroit. In order to introduce their goods a special price will be made on Saturday and all next week. Also special prices will be made on bulk coffee under our label.

It will be the purpose of our market to give the most value for the money and to make the place attractive to the buyer. In order to do this no goods will be sold on credit. Strictly sanitary conditions will be maintained throughout our market.

All orders of 50c and over will be delivered free. On orders of less than 50c a charge of 3c will be made for each delivery.

We will be in the market at all times for livestock, poultry, eggs, cream and butter.

Whether you become a customer or not we invite your inspection.

Yours respectfully,

J. A. BARTLEY

LOCAL NEWS

J. W. Blakley was in Saginaw on business Saturday last.

Roy Cowen of Ypsilanti was in Alma on business this week.

Mrs. E. C. Crandell visited friends at Durand the first of the week.

Mrs. L. N. Baker spent the first of the week with friends at Howell.

A. G. Leitch was in Saginaw Monday on business for the Gas Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gerber and son Charles, were in Ann Arbor Tuesday on business.

Mrs. J. C. Foster owing to poor health will visit her son in the West for a few months.

Mr. John Garrity of Bay City was the guest of R. Fredrick and family Saturday and Sunday.

S. Messinger was in Bay City last Saturday attending the sale of a large bankrupt stock there.

Vern Gardner of Saginaw a former Alma resident was in Alma on business the first of the week.

Clarence Miller of Grand Rapids was in town Saturday, on business connected with the new theatre.

Mrs. L. N. Baker, Mrs. E. C. Crandell and Mrs. Crites spent the week end with Mrs. George Argent at Lansing.

L. A. Sharp was in Battle Creek and Kalamazoo the first of the week on business connected with the Wright estate.

William Moody has purchased the 80 acre farm north of the Parkinson church of his grandfather, Silas Moody.

Charles Button who has been in a hospital at Lansing for some time returned to Alma Tuesday much improved.

I. H. McKinney, superintendent of the Alma Sugar branch was in Bay City, Monday on business for his company.

Ray Wheaton has resumed his position on the road with a Belding paint house, he represented on the road last year.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Church of Christ, will hold a bakery sale at L. E. Rather's store, Saturday evening, Feb. 19.

Last Monday was by far the coldest morning of the year, the government thermometer registering 21 degrees below at 7 o'clock a. m.

Chet Benedict is getting ready to move in to his new home lately purchased of J. C. Foster, corner of Woodstock and Downey.

The F. and A. M. bowling team left this p. m. for Saginaw where they will play a matched game with the Masonic team of that city.

Messrs. Page, Sanderhoff, and Clapp attending the Michigan Hardware Dealers Association at Grand Rapids, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Roy Barnes of Copenish, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barnes of this place. Roy is nicely located in the grocery business there.

Ira Bissell of Ann Arbor is visiting his niece, Mrs. C. F. Runner. It is 40 years since they met before notwithstanding they both lived in the state.

Dr. M. Pringle will take in the Consistory meeting at Bay City, Friday night and on Saturday will attend a very important dental meeting at Detroit.

Miss Eva Barnes attended the M. A. hop at Lansing last Friday night. The affair is an annual event and is looked upon by the students as the occasion of the year.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. William Cooper of Detroit a baby girl, Friday morning. Mrs. Cooper is here visiting at the home of her mother-in-law, Mrs. William Cooper.

Work was commenced again on the new theatre the first of the week, a lack of material hung work up for a few days but it is expected now to rush things to completion.

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U. H. Patrick representing the Frank P. Miller real estate agency of Detroit, is in Alma this week, selling Detroit lots. Several of our people purchased two years ago and many have disposed of them at a handsome profit.

Auctioneer Helman informs The Record that on Tuesday he held his 100 auction sale since Oct. 1st and is billed every day up to March 15th. On one day he turned down six sales. Mr. Helman is a very popular and successful salesman.

Hugh McLaren a prominent farmer of New Haven township has purchased the Timby property on Superior street, west. He expects to move the present house to a lot on Park street and build two and possibly three houses on State street.

Arthur H. Stone of Breckenridge, has located in Alma and has formed a partnership with George Carl under the firm name of Carl & Stone and will carry on a real estate, insurance and loan business. They have located in room two, Pollasky block.

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County Correspondence

VESTABURG.

Lester Reader, who has been living in Stockbridge is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reader.

Mrs. Nettie Peasley spent Thursday in Grand Rapids.

William Howay who has been critically ill with pneumonia is reported on the gain at this writing.

The Current Topic Club members were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Frank Murphy at her home Friday afternoon. Decorations were in honor of Abraham Lincoln's birthday. Lincoln anecdotes were told in answer to roll call.

Miss Kathleen Chmings was surprised at her home Saturday evening, Feb. 12, by the V. H. S. who came to remind her of her 15th birthday anniversary. The evening was spent playing games. Refreshments were served and all went home feeling that a very pleasant evening had been enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brown are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown.

Mrs. Friend Evans and son James, accompanied her daughter to her home in Detroit Monday morning.

Mrs. Edith O'Connor of Edmore spent from Sunday until Monday morning at the home of Dr. and Mrs. M. C. Hubbard where her mother, Mrs. C. M. Guild and husband have been staying since the loss of their home. Mrs. Guild is receiving treatments for her burns and warding against pneumonia.

Clarence Caris was a Riverdale caller Thursday.

William Eavy has returned from his visit in Big Rapids.

Calla Ogden of Ohio is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Warts. Miss Pearl Wonacutt of St. Louis and Claude Wood of Alma were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ford Sanders.

Miss Mable Miller is recovering from the grip.

The M. W. A. have remodeled the lower part of the front of their hall. Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Tanner and the latter's brother, R. B. Elliott have returned from Hillsdale.

Frank McDole has recovered from the grip.

Mrs. Eva Beach returned from her visit in St. Louis Wednesday evening. W. J. Orr of Saginaw, George Bilbro of Remus and Andrew Orr of Blanchard were callers of T. D. Meddick Wednesday.

James Corder went to Marion Thursday.

Michael Caris returned to his home in Jackson Monday after visiting his sons, Clarence and Roy and other relatives.

Mrs. Cora Corder is entertaining their niece, Miss Leah Covey.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fisher of Sumner were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Reed.

Stanley Geisel spent the week end in Six Lakes.

Claude Manley of Riverdale called Thursday at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Manley.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Guild was burned to the ground Sunday morning, Feb. 13. At about 9 o'clock the fire which started in the kitchen while they were eating breakfast in the dining room had gained such a headway when discovered that the united efforts of those answering the alarm and of Mr. and Mrs. Guild proved useless the fire fighters saved only a very few things. Mrs. Guild received burns and inhaled smoke and fire and was unable to direct to things that might have been saved, keepsakes and a few other articles which can never be replaced. Only a few days ago Mrs. Guild received a box from home containing valuable things, besides what she and Mr. Guild had.

Mr. Guild told the men where he had money in a room and by throwing on snow and water and working with a rake to reach the tin box, they secured it and saved \$77, besides valuable papers. There was a small amount of money in another room which was lost besides old coins. The loss was covered by a partial insurance.

Mrs. Bemer mother of Mrs. John Stambaugh of this place died at her home in St. Louis, Tuesday evening, February 8. Funeral services were held Friday at the Saints church in St. Louis. She was laid to rest by the side of her husband in the Ferris cemetery Saturday.

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